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Dear Alumni and friends,



The dawning of a new year and the beginning of the 2014 spring semester bring expectations for achievement and success for Itawamba Community College.

The College continues to commit significant resources to ensure student success through personal assistance that is possible through the Student Success, Advising and Writing Centers as well as to emphasize the importance of the attainment of the associate's degree.

Student success translates into alumni success. Your connection with the College is tremendously important because it enables us to stay in touch so that we can continue to celebrate the momentous occasions in your lives. We urge you to join our Alumni Association so that we can share the College's successes with you as well.

You can also reconnect with us through all of the social media, emails, letters and return visits to our three locations – Fulton, Tupelo and Belden.

Your success is ultimately the College's success. We hope that you will reconnect today!





I hope that you all had a very Merry Christmas and that you have great expectations for the New Year, because that is what your ICC Alumni Association has on its mind!

Many alumni participated in and enjoyed Homecoming 2013, and we have already started planning for the 2014 event. It only takes one enthusiastic person to have an idea for a reunion, and things simply start falling into place. One calls another and then another and before long

a group is together again. The 50- and 60-year reunions are so much fun because of reconnecting with friends from the past, many of whom have lost touch over the years. A reunion of women's basketball teams from 1974-84 is already in the planning stage, and work has begun on "25 years of the Indian Delegation." Larry Boggs, Allyson Cummings and I are working on this, and a tentative schedule will be included in the next magazine.

I hope you have enjoyed reading about fellow alumni in this issue. We hope that you will submit your story so that it can be included in a future issue. We have learned that a former student was in Johannesburg during the funeral of Nelson Mandela, and we hope to share her perspective next time as well as the story of an alumni who is in Hong Kong.

If you are not currently a member of the association, we hope that you will join today. Currently there are more than 1,000 paid members, but we've set a goal of 600 lifetime members by the end of the college year. As of the printing deadline for the magazine, there are 552, so our goal is certainly attainable. Lifetime dues are \$100 for an individual and \$150 for joint membership. Perhaps there are families like the Browns who have taken advantage of a "family plan," which is certainly possible for anyone who wants to join.

Thank all of you for your love and support for ICC. As Dr. Summers said in her President's Message, we hope that you will take advantage of every opportunity to reconnect with ICC and to become involved.

Happy New Year!

Mark Todd, Director



Christina Buse Lindley ('10-'12) Donald Livingston ('05-'06) Jessica Murphree ('08-'10) Will Robbins ('08-'10)

NEW 3-YEAR MEMBERSHIP 1940s

Jack Creely ('48-'49) Howard Westmoreland ('49) 1950s

Ray Blaylock ('50-'52) Jimmy Crockett ('51-'53) Rev Robert Dottley ('51-'52) Martha Gurley Graham ('54-'55) William Hutchinson ('51-'53) Billie Wilson May ('51-'53) Peggy Green Pierce ('57) William Richardson ('53-'56) Samuel Yarbrough ('51-'53)

1960s Max Aycock ('60-'62) Sherry Whiteside Aycock

('56-'58)
Wilma Comer Creely ('60-'61)
Jack "Rusty" Cummings
('65-'67)

Beverly Montgomery Cummings ('67-'69)

Phillip McGregor ('64-'65)

Debbie Johnson Adams ('77-'79) Sherri Terrissa Cody ('71-'73) Lucille Pate Gray ('71-'72) Jimmy Pittman ('78-'80) Ronnie Sullivan ('77-'78) Valerie Sisco Sullivan ('77-'79) Walter Woody ('71-'73) Jan Woody ('71-'73)

1980s

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Ponda Pharr ('85) Sherry Johnson Lentz ('89-'91) Jeff Lentz ('83-'85) Nita Reece Megginson ('80-'83) Heather Grubbs Nestor ('89-'91) Ramona Aldridge Vaughn

('87-'92) **1990s**

Dale Blaylock ('90-'92) Nancy Ann Blaylock ('11-'12) Pamela Sue Brock Ferguson ('95-'96) John Harmon ('91-'94) Robyn Ford Harmon ('89-'91)

Steve Prestridge ('91-'93) Michael Stafford ('90-'93)

Michael "Clint" Gannon ('09-'11)

Mary McMullan Warren ('01-'03)

Jason Ray Woodard ('00-'04)

NEW YEARLY MEMBERSHIP 1950s

Charles Bean ('56-'58) Adrianne "Sue" Farmer Bean ('57-'59) Edsel Wayne Conwill ('54-'56)

Franz Cowart ('49-'50) Charles Davis ('58-'60) Gwin Tutor Davis ('59-'60)

Pinna Lee Carpenter Gattis ('52-'54)

Dorothy Hardin ('59,'73) Burma Heard Jordan ('53-'55) Thomas Kennedy ('53-'55) Patricia Wallace Maten ('53-'55)

Dr. William Mattison ('55-'56) Joyce Alexander McGar ('54-'56)

Betty Gilliland Pearson ('55-'56)

Will Prather ('56-'58) Shirley M. Prather ('57-'58) Lillian Wilder Roberts ('53-'55)

Mary Sue Cornelius Spigner ('57-'59) Sarah Jean Chatham Stewart

Sarah Jean Chatham Stewart ('49-'51)

Charles Stone ('54-'56)
J. P. Thomas ('52-'54)
1960s

Sidney "Eddie" Cooley ('61-'63) Kearney Hall III ('61-'62) Claude Hardin Jr. ('66-'84) Donnie and Carrie Ann Harris

('62-'63) Donna Conlee Mooney (64-'66) Cathy Byram Neaves ('69-'71)

Joseph Fields ('73-'75)
Barbara Jane "BJ" Smith Gadd ('77-'79)
Terry Jones ('68-'70, '74-'75)

Terry Jones ('68-'70, '74-'75) Felicia Camp Jones ('71-'73) Bernay McGee ('71-'73) Edith Wages Smith ('78-'81) Ted Weatherford ('79-'82) Lynette Donald Weatherford ('80-'82)

Jim Witt ('72-'73)

1980s

Joe Smith ('89-'04)

1990s

Virginia Burnside ('97-'99) Chad Cummings ('96-'98) Allyson Lloyd Cummings ('96-'98)

Regina Magers King ('98-'99) Elizabeth Ann Owings ('90-'91) Wesley Pitts ('94-'95)

Kathy Ford Smith ('92-'11) Sanford Tubb ('92-94)

Alicia Brown Waldo ('96-'98) Angela Wilson ('90-'93,'94-'96)

Glyndel Hall Wood ('90) Lisha Cox Woodard ('93-'97)

Larry Woodard ('95-'96) **2000s**

Bryan Carter ('08-'12) Ashley Grant Chandler ('08-'12)

Daryl Jo "DJ" Chumbley ('09-'11)

Samuel Fair ('12-'14) Catherine Hubbard Gibson

('09-'11) Amie Collums Harrison ('03-'07)

Matthew Hussey ('07-'09) Billie Harris Rogers ('11)

Nicole Sherice Taylor ('11-'13) Ryan Turney ('10-'12) Ashley Tutor ('08-'10)

Michelle Webster White ('07-'09)

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Bobby and Wanda Butler
(Yearly)

Mary Ann Caldwell (Lifetime) Charlene J. Senter (Yearly) Juanita Gambrell Floyd (3-Year) Denise L. Gillespie (Lifetime) Robert "Mac" and Pat McClellan (Lifetime)

Elizabeth Michael Curlee (Yearly)

David Neilsen, ('88-'07)

(Lifetime) Charles and Laura Russell (Yearly)

Barbara Vaughn (1979-'00) (Yearly)

John Allen Vaughn, (Yearly)

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June 20, 2013 Jerry T. Bishop Sr. of Tupelo, September 5, 2013

Tillman Hovt Hurd of Springville, August 28, 2013 1970s

Stanley Doyle Hadaway of Amory, April 29, 2013 Mark Anthony Cockrell of Mantachie, July 28, 2013 Walter Clifton Donald of Baldwyn, August 18, 2013 Billy Joe "B.J." Copeland Jr. of Tremont, October 15, 2013 Kathy Jean Miller Brown of Tupelo, November 8, 2013 Harris Clay Simmons of Amory, November 12, 2013 James Earl "Jimmy" Raigins of Prairie, November 21, 2013 Geneva Clinese Little of Smithville, September 24, 2013

of Tupelo, September 2, 2013 Travis Wayne Britt of Saltillo, September 5, 2013 Linda Tutor Ray of Saltillo, September 18, 2013 Beebe Suzanne Wilson Wright of Maryville, TN, October 20,

Garvin D. Gray of Fulton, November 23, 2013

Brian Coleman Ezelle of Tupelo, June 22, 2013

1990s

Sharon Jean Spearman Bogan of Shannon, May 23, 2012 Melinda Ann Baughman Patterson of Furrs, July 29, 2013 Vincent Lee "Vince" Hester of Amory, August 24, 2013 Joseph Michael "Mike" Sandlin of Nashville, TN, November 21, 2013 2000s

SPC Jeffery Kyle Davis of Ecru,

May 2, 2013 Martin Lynn "Marty" Thomas of Tupelo, June 5, 2013 Jalayne Gay Sartain of Fulton, August 6, 2013 Maggie Katherine McMullan of Mantachie, November 23, 2013 Zackary Levi "Zack" Carpenter of Belmont, December 21, 2013 Sgt. Kevin Gale Stauffer Jr. of Tupelo, December 23, 2013 Former Employees John Q. Lesley of Mantachie, October 7, 2013 Elizabeth "Betty" Luckett McGowan Montgomery of Tupelo, August 1, 2013 Robert Gates "Bob" Newsum Jr. of Cairo, October 29, 2013 Willis Hutson of Tremont, September 19, 2013 Friends to the College Tyrus Cobb "T.C." Gibbs of

NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS 1950s

Ruby Michelle "Shelle" Melton

Bobby Archer (54-'56) Patsy Bowen Bennett ('59-'60) Lohrone Cannon ('51-'53) Virginia Scribner Cartwright $('5\bar{1}-'53)$ Robert "Red" Collins ('54-'55) Nolan Gorham ('56-'58) Elvin Graham ('48-'50) Sue Mabus Graham ('50-'52) Johnnie Graham ('50-'52) Jean Graham ('55-'56) Mary Payne Hairald ('53-'55) Minnie Jo Hill ('55-'57) William Harris Lamar ('58-'60) Dorothy Wade Lamar ('59-'60) Robert Loden ('55-'57) Bill Reeder ('58-'59) Scarlett Windham Reeder ('58-'59)Billy Scott ('53-'55) William "Bill" Sheffield ('48-'50) Nelda Summerford South ('55-'56)Mildred Gregory Stanley ('48-'50) Mac Allen Thomas ('56-'57) Lewis Rae "Pap" Vintson ('49-'50)Jim Walden ('56-'57), Cecil and Toy Lane Weeks ('56-'58),Joe Nell Wood ('56-'57) Evelyn Shumpert Young ('48-'50) 1960s Bruce Austin ('66-'67)

Kathy Young Austin ('69-'71)

Sidney Boren ('62-'63) Clara Coker Brown ('78-'79) Ivan "Buddy" Bryant ('62-'64) Jim Comer ('61-'64) Vick Etheridge ('65-'67) Bobby Joe "BJ" Fowlkes ('65-'67) Dr. George Green ('65-'67) Delores Broom Lindsey ('64-'66) Liz Clement McMullan ('61-'63) Danny Park ('65-'67) Mary Mason Park ('65-'66, '85-'86) Jackie Spradling ('61-'63) Janice Morris Spradling ('66-'67) Mary Francis Stepp ('63-'65) Dr. Doug and Patti Thrash ('69-'71)Don Thomason ('61-'63) 1970s Robert Donald Baker (79-'81) Charlotte Bowen Baker ('80-'82)

Debra Bradley ('74-'76) Terry Paul Graham ('74-'76) Dr. John Harris Sr (1979) Lynn Holifield ('74-'76) Eden Martin ('71-'74) Monty McCormick ('73-'75) Hugh and Jan Thrash Morris ('73-'76, '86) Guy David Randle ('78-'80) Renea Johnson Randle ('78-'80) Bonnie McDonald Sappington ('73-'75)Dr. Randy and Karen Schmidt ('77-'78)John Sudduth ('77-'78, '10-'12)

Debbie Davis Sudduth

('77-'78, '07-'10) Jo Ann Ausbon Summerlin ('70-'71)

Tupelo, December 9, 2013

1980s

Amy Roberts Brown ('88-'90) Mark Brown ('82-'83) Pat Brown ('89) John Cleveland ('83-'85) Elizabeth Reed Cleveland ('84-'85)Betsy Ruth Aron Collums ('80-'81)Leigh Johnson Craft ('89-'91) Randall Gurlen ('81-'83) Shawn Hairald ('86-'88) Frances Baker Livingston ('85-'87)Amy Moore ('81-'83) Steven Staub ('82-'84) Joe Weeks ('83-'85) Karen Fortenberry Weeks ('83-'85)

1990s

Brian Hicks ('98-'00) Benjamin Gray ('90-'92) Jessica Taylor Gray ('02-'03) Mitchell Johnson ('99-'01) Carla Rose ('87-'89) Marjorie "Dawn" Hairald ('95-'97)Michael Plunkett ('92-'93) Melissa Jo Plunkett ('91-'95) Kimberly Johnson Wilson ('91-'93)

2000s

Thomas Beam II ('10-'12) Lauren Brown ('08-'10)

From your Alumni President



Happy New Year to you and yours! I trust you had a safe and wonderful Christmas with your family and friends. Attending Christmas programs with the beautiful true Christmas message, visiting with people dear to me, watching children have such wonder and excitement in their eyes, and, of course, eating too much are always part of the Christmas and New Year time for me and my family.

Then, next are the resolutions of January. I heard one fellow say that his resolution was to have no resolutions! He probably just has an aversion to joining the crowd, but resolving yourself to do something positive can benefit you and others. As President of the ICC Alumni Association, please allow me to encourage you to resolve to "give back" to ICC. How can you do that? Start by joining the Alumni Association. Already an Alumni Association member? Return to the College when you can and bring your family. Attend some of our events such as the fine arts offerings, musical performances or sporting events. Assist in organizing or participating in your local ICC Alumni Association chapter in your county. Consider a contribution to the ICC Foundation, a scholarship endowment or volunteer service at ICC (serve as mentors, assist with special events such as the bluegrass concert or graduation breakfast, etc). Giving back more obviously benefits others, but the giver really benefits, too.

If you are already a member of our ICC Alumni Association, we're so glad to have you! If not, please join today! I'm honored to serve as your president, and please feel free to contact me or Alumni Affairs director Mark Todd at 662.862.8176 or mftodd@iccms.edu.

Reconnect with ICC. The Best Start(ed) Here!

An Indian Always,

Amenda Petts Summers, Pharm. D.

Amanda Pitts Summers, PharmD President, ICC Alumni Association 2013-2014

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ON THE COVER:

Clara Brown at her home in Fulton, Miss.



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Above, Shannon Brown Falls, Cole Falls, Audri Brown, Mark Brown, Amy Moore, Katelynn Brown, Josh Brown, Clara Brown, Dalton Brown, Lauren Brown, Amy Roberts Brown and Pat Brown.

THE BROWNS START HERE

When Clara Coker Brown's ICC bership application contained as much of her children's and grandchildren's information as her own, it seemed as though a pattern of Browns attending ICC had formed sometime through the years. Mrs. Brown decided to continue her education in 1979, which coincidentally was her oldest son's first year of attending Itawamba Agricultural High School. With IAHS and Itawamba (Junior) College on shared property, Mark said he could not turn a corner without running into his mom. "My first year of high school, and I just knew I was going to have all this new freedom and my mom started back to college on my campus.'

But the Brown family beams with pride at its "Mimi's" accomplishments. In addition to raising her family and being a hands-on grandmother, she and her late husband, Owen, started and successfully ran B & M Paving & Asphalt Company as well as Fulton Pipe Company. Owen was often known to say that he and the crews might have done the physical work but they would not have been nearly as successful without Clara. In addition, Mrs. Brown is past president of the Itawamba County School Board after having served the district for many years in several different capacities.

Mark Erwin Brown attended IJC from 1981-1983, but he had quite a rocky start. When he failed to get out of bed on the morning of registration, his mother came in to his room and said, "Mark, are you going to go down to the college and register for your classes today?" His response was, "No momma, I think I'll just stay out a semester or two and work, and then I'll go back." Silence

Then, Mrs. Brown jerked back the covers "Get your (self) up

and get down to that college and get yourself registered for your classes. Now."

That definitive move on the part of a normally mild mannered and loving mother was the onset of expectations for her children and grand-children regarding the importance of education. That morning resulted in not only an IJC graduate, but a Mississippi State University degree as well and many Browns who followed in Mark's footprints.

While at IJC, Mark played baseball

While at IJC, Mark played baseball and was one of a few on Coach Curt Monroe's last team and Coach Roy Cresap's first team. He is now the president of B & M Paving/Fulton Pipe, having worked since the age of 14. He is also the proud father of three ICC alumni, Audri, Katelynn and Josh, and is engaged to ICC alumnus, Amy Lee Moore.

Audri Anne Brown attended ICC in 2006-2007. A Phi Theta Kappa member at ICC, she transferred to

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Alumni Focus

BIRTHS

Calleb "Beau-Lawson" Cochran, son of Vickie and Josh Cochran

Emmie Elizabeth Cox, daughter of **Chris** and Jill **Cox** Ella Ballard Ferguson, daughter of **Dr. Doug** and Chanda **Ferguson**

Ethan Christopher Hussey, son of Amy and Chris Hussey

Mary Ford Kirk, daughter of Adam and Emory Kirk Lane Austin Pennington, son of Mallory and Clay Pennington

Eliza Jean Smith, granddaughter of Mark Todd

WEDDINGS OF 2013

Kelly Brooke Browning and Brandon C. Byrd, May 11

Sara Katherine McNeece and Joshua Ellis Gammill, May 11

Hayley Gale Smith and Coby Eugene Hildreth, May 11

Emily Brooke Minor and Benjamin Edward Mattox, May 11

Brittany Tyler Todd and Phillip Joel Morton, May 18 Laura Christine Scheske and Cole Reno, May 18 Paige Elizabeth Langford and Monty Drake Young, May 18

Kristin Nicole Killin and **Douglas Porter Anderson**, June 14

Courtney Ann Ellis and Luke Bethune, June 20 Kathryn Lynn Hoseney and Justin Allen Alred, July 27

Kiersten Elizabeth Seward and Craig Bullock, July 27

Kayla Diane Hinds and John Thomas Tutor, August 3

Kristy Amanda Barnett and Wyatt Christopher Ausborn, August 10

Dorothy Rose Damm and Gabriel Kade Clowers, August 10

Kelli Anne Doss and Zachary James Foster, August 10

Julie Elizabeth Hankins and **Benjamin Neal** Gardner, August 10

Anna Gabrielle Dill and Jason Lee Porter, August 10 Sydney Clayton and Jonathan Young, August 10 Sonya Renee Scott and James Dean Horn, August 17 Kylie Breanne Estes and Jacob Bryan Forrester, August 24

Carlye Alania Carpenter and Christopher Alan Hutchinson, August 24

Stacia Carol Putt and Michael Lee DelPrete, September 7

Brandy Whittington and Ricky Raines, September 7 **Ashlee Nicole Parker** and Eric William Bow, September 14

Lizabeth Holland and Cody Dakota Cook, September 14

Emilee Pearce and Brandon Kennedy, September 14 Savannah Shay Hall and Michael Jared Koon, September 14

Demetrius Penro and Jimmie Lee, September 14 Carrie Pannell and Justin Higgins, September 21 Brittany McDaniel and Levi Lawson, September 21 Natalie Marie Frenn and Joshua Alan Lowery, September 28

Jala Parker and Justin Robinson, September 28 Amanda Lynn Lofton and Brian Joseph Clark, October 5

Ashley Noelle Edge and Joshua Daniel Jarvis, October 12

Amanda Gamble and Justin Wood, October 12 Patsy Ann Culver and Jonathan David Archie, October 19

Dr. Shelli Isabel Coleman and William Paul Dodd, October 19

Krisha Marie Peden and Jacob Issac "Jake" Evans, October 19

Jennifer Wood and Greg Sheffield, October 19 Chasta Lena Brown and David Joseph Young, October 19

Clara Leanna James and Marcus Odell Fisackerly, October 20

Courtney Lee Nichols and Jacob Douglas Gray, October 26

Bashie Harper and Roderick Bell, November 2 Roxie Doniphan Thomas and Claude Feemster Clayton III, November 2

Lindsay Jade Spencer and Bradley Wilson Adams, November 9

Alice Claire Maynard and James Bradley Griggs, November 9

Kayla Russell and Cody Martin, November 9 Natalie Ruth Nobile and Frank Bernard Maxcy Jr., November 16

Britney Lane Thomas and Nathaniel Ray Martin, November 23

Susan Elizabeth Henry and Dustin Ryan Tutor, November 23

Emiley Poynor and Casey Lancaster, December 7 Sarah Chamblee and Jeffrey Martin, December 7 Chastity Brianna Harris and Mitchell Dewayne Cockrell, December 14

DEATHS 1950s

Fred B. Comer of Tupelo, April 22, 2013
Joe Hargett of Brookhaven, May 22, 2013
Bobby G. "Bob" Robinson of Fulton, July 14, 2013
Jane Woods McGregor of Houston, August 1, 2013
Harry Adair of New Albany, August 14, 2013
E.J. Grisham Sr. of Clinton, September 3, 2013
Vola Mattox Senter of Fulton, November 6, 2013
William David Berryhill of Plantersville,
November 9, 2013

Nelda C. Reeves of Tremont, November 14, 2013 Billy E. "Pete" Leech of Amory, November 26, 2013 Charlotte Hamilton Walker of Holly Springs, November 25, 2013

James B. "Jimmy" Hunt of Tupelo, July 28, 2013 Charles Guyton Henry Sr. of Greenwood, August 31, 2013

1960s

Billy Wayne Ling of Amory, November 8, 2013 Charles "Buddy" Hays of Okolona, November 21, 2013 David Hudson "Dave" Evans Jr. of Tupelo, November 24, 2013 David E. McVay of Tupelo,

SCHMIDT CREDITS IJC FOR SUCCESS

Dr. Randy Schmidt grew up in Fulton and attended IAHS when the high school and college campuses were shared with ICC. He attended IJC from 1976-78 and was a starting outside linebacker for Coach Mike Eaton's first state championship football team in 1977. He has fond memories of going down to Jones County and beating them on their own turf.

He credits the broad-based education and guidance he received at IJC for preparing him for his double major in chemistry and zoology as a pre-med major at the University of Mississippi and later for the Doctor of Medicine degree he received as he matriculated through the program at the University Medical Center in Jackson. He also gives a lot of credit to Herb Parham and Jim Long as both mentors and teachers, saying he was lucky enough to have those two fine educators in both his high school and college classes. "They taught me some of the hardest science classes I ever took; they made it easy to understand; and I learned study skills I still use today to stay current on the surgical literature," Dr. Schmidt said. From a guidance standpoint, he gives Carl Comer (former registrar and current member of the ICC Board of Trustees) a lot of credit in helping him decide where to continue his education after IJC. "Carl just insisted that Ole Miss was the only choice any half-witted student such as myself should even be considering," Dr. Schmidt said with a mischievous smile. "I first knew of Carl when his momma, Ruby, taught me sixth grade English, and we are friends to this day. After several years of investing in gin rummy lessons from Carl and Larry Homan, it has recently been quite a financially gratifying relationship as Carl continues to reimburse me for those



Dr. Randy Schmidt and his wife, Karen Crane Schmidt

earlier gin rummy lessons about twice a year. He has taught me a little too well!" ...quipped Dr. Schmidt.

Now a well-recognized surgeon in Texarkana, Tex., he was recently introduced to a new acquaintance by one of his friends as a "Renaissance man." It's not really clear if his friend meant that as a complement, so he asked him to explain, "Doc, you are the only guy I know who reads 30-40 history books a year, rides his bicycle in 100 mile races in 100 degree heat in Texas in August; you hunt; you fish; you are a big time cattle rancher and you are up in the middle of a Saturday night operating on drunks who have mangled themselves on a telephone pole. That is the kind of diversity that qualifies you as a "renaissance man' in my opinion.'

After finishing a five-year general surgery residency in Jackson, Dr. Schmidt moved his young family to Texarkana, where he has had a busy surgery practice for almost 25 years. He and his former high school and IJC sweetheart,

and now wife of more than 35 years, the former Karen Crane reared their two daughters in Texarkana. Their older daughter, Katheryn, attended ICC and now is married and lives there. Their younger daughter, Emily, finished at Ole Miss and now lives in Charlotte, N.C. They have one grandson, Brody, who brightens their every day.

When I finished high school, I wasn't ready to be on my own at a four-year college, although I thought I was at the time. I got the best education possible, because I was at a place where the teachers were rewarded to teach. I didn't have a class size of 300 other freshmen and a professor who felt like he was being punished or a grad student who would rather be working on a doctoral thesis. I didn't fail after the first semester like so many of my friends did, and my GPA actually went up when I moved on to Ole Miss. In my opinion, the best thing about ICC and community colleges in general is that teachers are rewarded to teach, and I had some great teachers,' Dr. Schmidt concluded.

Mississippi State University she earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees in psychology. Now a professor/advisor in MSU's Psy
munity Relations. She and Mark are engaged to be married, so her name will change to Brown in the spring chology Department, she is working toward her doctorate degree there.

Katelynn Clair Brown at tended ICC in 2008-2009, majoring in general studies, and transferred to Mississippi University for Women where she subsequently earned the Bachelor of Nursing degree. She worked in critical care at North Misissippi Health Services. This fall, Katelynn served a 13-week contract in Reno, Nev. She plans to apply to graduate school as well as to keep open the possibility of short term travel/mission nursing contracts.

After playing football on scholarship at Montana Tech University, Joshua Erwin Brown attended ICC from 2010-2011, where he was a President's List scholar. In December 2014 he plans to graduate from Mississippi State University where he is a senior civil/structural engineering major.

Amy Lee Moore attended IJC from 1981-1983. While enrolled, she was editor of the Chieftain for two years, secretary of the Student Government Association and member of Phi Theta Kappa. She was selected to the Hall of Fame and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. Amy worked at the ICC Fulton Campus from 1985-91 and at the ICC Belden Center from 2011-13. Returning to the Fulton Campus in the summer of 2013, she is currently the administrative assistant

to the Executive Director of Comof 2014.

The Brown's second son, Patrick Keith Brown, attended ICC in 1989. An athlete in high school, Pat quickly became heavily involved in all aspects of intramural sports at ICC. He transferred to Mississippi State University and is now the owner of Pat Brown Construction in Fulton. He is married to the former Amy Roberts of Fulton and the father of Lauren, Dalton and Cora Beth and "Papa" to Ava Lauren. From 1988-90, Pat's wife,

Amy Roberts Brown, attended ICC, earning her degree in Radiologic Technology. While enrolled, she was an Indianette in the ICC All American Band. She then obtained her bachelor's degree in Allied Health Sciences from the University of Mississippi Medical Center and currently is employed by North Mississippi Health Services where she is the manager of eight regional clinics.

Lauren Amelia Brown, the daughter of Pat and Amy, attended ICC from 2008-2010 and earned her associate's degree in nursing. While at ICC, Lauren was a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Mississippi Student Nurses' Association. She is currently a critical care nurse with North Mississippi Health Services. She is the proud mom of Ava Lau-

Dalton Lee Brown is currently a freshman at ICC. He is majoring in pre-engineering with plans to transfer to Mississippi State Univer-

The Brown's only daughter, Shannon Clair Brown Falls, attended ICC from 1988-1989 and majored in Fashion Merchandising/Marketing. She was a contestant in the Miss ICC pageant and a member of both the Fashion Tribe and Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA). Currently co-owner of B&M Paving/Fulton Pipe, Shannon is a very busy single mom to three boys, Cole, Cody and Clay.

Donald Cole Falls is currently a Forestry major at ICC. He is a member of the Forestry Club and enjoys hunting and being outdoors. In an effort to learn more about his chosen field of forestry, Cole does volunteer work on government forest properties.

One submission of an application by a proud mother and grandmother proved that an entire family could belong to the Alumni Association together...One mom, three children, two daughters-in-law, five grandchildren, and maybe, hopefully, three more to follow their siblings.

Those three children say that someday there will be more grandchildren and Clara Brown's expectations will continue. Not only did she want the best for her children and grandchildren, she expected it.

And the Brown family knows, the Best Start at ICC. They now expect it, too!





























TO DHOTOS

By Brad Locke, Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal (September 3, 2013)

Football gave Heath Hutchins a fine career during his high school and college days. Last year it gave him something else, something quite unexpected.

"Serendipity" is the word he uses to explain how tu-

toring a high school kicker led to a career as a fashion model for the likes of Ralph Lauren and Abercrombie & Fitch. It's a job that's taken Hutchins around the globe in a few months' time, places like Amsterdam, England, Germany, Mexico and Spain.

Those places are a long way from Saltillo, where Hutchins starred for the high school football team as a punter. He went on to play for Itawamba Community College and then Mississippi State.

After failing to catch on in the NFL, Hutchins was trying to find some direction. He did some work as a personal trainer and had just caught on with a car dealership when fate intervened in the form of Hunter Bigham.

Bigham's son, Reed, kicks and punts for Tupelo High's varsity squad. Wanting to help his son improve as a player, Bigham asked Hutchins to tutor Reed.

Bigham has done some modeling for the past eight years or so. When a photographer friend, Cory Steirley, flew in to update his portfolio, he told Bigham to find someone else for him to take pictures of while he was in town

Bigham asked Hutchins, who was more than glad to

help.

"He came over to the house one afternoon, and Cory shot him, and it was pretty obvious from the very first flash of the strobe light that he had a natural affinity for this," Bigham said. "When the first photos came through, we were like, dude, you have got to take these to somebody."

Hutchins admitted the most he'd hoped to get from the photo shoot was "a cool Facebook picture and maybe get some chicks to talk to me." He got that, and more.

After holding on to the pictures for a few weeks, Hutchins jumped on Google on a Wednesday last October and typed in "top 10 modeling agencies." He submitted his photos, and the next day he received

contracts. By the next Monday, he was in Mexico for his first shoot, for Fuller Cosmetics.

Learning Curve
Angie Hutchins was understandably skeptical of her son's new job.
She sensed a lack of direction in his life.

"I told him then, don't you want to get a real job? It's not that it's not a real job. It's that it's one of those jobs you never know about," Angie Hutchins said. "And I never dreamed six months ago it would've taken him all the places that it's taken him so far."

This was not the life Hutchins had in mind. He knew little to nothing about the modeling industry. In fact, he wasn't even familiar with the movie that spoofed it, "Zoolander," a 2001 comedy starring Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson. So he didn't get all the "blue steel" references friends made. He has since watched

the movie, and he's learned quite a bit about this new world he was thrust into.

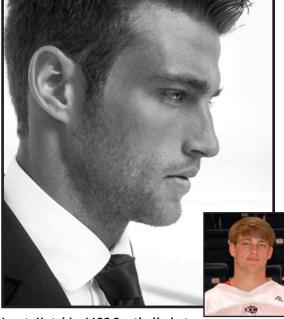
The schedule can be exhausting, pre-dawn and redeye flights to and from far-flung – and exotic – locales for days on end. There's little time for rest, and Hutchins has found it challenging to keep up an exercise regimen.

But he tries not to complain too much.

"I'll admit, most other guy models I meet are a lot different than me," he said. "The word, I guess, is soft. Like, wake up. They've never been in the real world."

Hutchins is used to early mornings. He had plenty of them at MSU, and he had strength coach Matt Balis wearing him out during offseason workouts.

Although a punter, Hutchins has always looked like a linebacker. Not so much now. When he started model-



Inset, Hutchins' ICC Football photo.



AROUND CAMPUS

HEADWAE Honorees Named





Precision manufacturing and machining technology director and instructor Barry Emison of Tupelo and sophomore Sarah Guess of Hamilton have been selected as Itawamba Community College's HEADWAE representatives for 2013-14.

ALL-USA Team Chosen

Four Itawamba Community College sophomores have been selected as members of the Mississippi All-Academic Team.

They include Tupelo Campus nominees John Verner of Booneville and Neyda Sandoval of Ecru and Fulton Campus nominees Sarah Guess of Hamilton and Canary Brooks of Shannon.

To qualify, students must have had at least a 3.5 grade point average and a minimum of 30 credit hours by December. The recognition is also based on service to the community.







MOST BEAUTIFUL 2014

Logan Whitworth of Mooreville was selected as ICC's Most Beautiful 2014 from among 40 contestants at the conclusion of the Dec. 3 pageant. The top five includes left to right, Cristina Forrester of Tupelo, third; Haven Massey of Golden, second; Whitworth, Most Beautiful; Alicia Tubb of Mooreville, first; and Patience Campbell of Blue Springs, fourth.

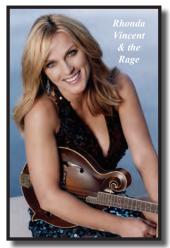
HUTCHINS SELECTED MISS ICC 2014

Makel Hutchins of Saltillo, center, was selected Miss Itawamba Community College 2014 at the conclusion of the annual pageant at the Fulton Campus. Alternates include Johnna Wilson of Fulton, left, and Quitley Ivy of Shannon, second. Hutchins will represent ICC in the 2014 Miss Mississippi Pageant this summer



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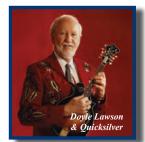
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ing last year, he weighed 220 pounds; now he's down to about 180.

On that first job in Mexico, when he was still big, the photographer asked Hutchins to bring his arm up to his face. The sleeve of his shirt ripped.

By February, he was small enough to fit into most anything, and that's when the jobs really started to roll in. His most recent big job was with Ralph Lauren, for its spring 2014 line. Hutchins said the male modeling world is a small one, and that most of his colleagues are European. At 24 years old, he got a relatively late start in the industry, but things have taken off quickly.

He lives in New York and has a girlfriend who also models. His mom has overcome her reservations about this career, and she isn't surprised by how well Heath is doing.

'Honestly knowing Heath like I know him, he always takes the bull by the horns to show people - anybody that was skeptical, including myself he's got one of those (attitudes of), I'm going to do it and show you," Angie Hutchins said.

Bigham sees a big future for Hutchins.

"You haven't seen the beginning of what he'll be able to do," Bigham said. "He's world-class, man, I'm telling you."

Football's reminders

Hutchins tried to catch on with the New York Jets after college, but it didn't work out. His playing days are over, and he misses football.

But football led him to this, and he's occasionally reminded of that. He's had photo shoots that involved him holding a football, and one session involved him holding a bulldog.

Last month, as MSU was grinding through preseason camp, Hutchins did a shoot for Target. He and another model were sporting athletic apparel, and they were on a football field.

They had no idea what anything looked like, so I was setting up the cones and doing everything, setting up the tire drills and the ladder," Hutchins said. "They're like, you're so good at this."

Target booked him for another shoot the next

While it's nice to be plucked up by a company like Ralph Lauren, Hutchins said it's the steady jobs with companies like Target and Amazon that keep the money coming in consistently. It's what could keep him in the industry for years to come.

What may shock people later is how much more he will do. He's just getting started," Bigham said.

Angie Hutchins' favorite pictures of Heath are when he's holding a football. It reminds her of who he is, where he came from and how he got to the place he is now.

"Even though he's on the journey to different endeavors," she said, "that's still how I see Heath, because he's always had a ball in his hand."

Heath Hutchins takes a philosophical view of

this unexpected turn in his life.

"It's more like serendipity, I guess is the word," he said. "Everything that's happened, I've had to be ready for it, but I've just been ready at the right time and in the right place and with the right people, and it turned out right. Had I not taken the path that I did, I don't know if I'd be here right now.'







Photos courtesy of New York Modelina Agency.

ALUMNI REFLECTIONS

Carole Tackett Kelly

The two years I studied at Itawamba Junior College represent precious memories for me, and I remember my teachers as very special persons dedicated to teaching and striving in efforts to make us think. The years 1960-62 may sound like a distant time, and I concede it was a long time ago (relatively speaking). But in a way my memories make it seem almost like yesterday.

Attending a recent homecoming reminded me of the IJC days, especially as I compared the special IJC of yesterday to today's thriving, beautiful ICC transformation. I am a vigorous advocate of the community college program. I'm proud to say that my late husband, George Morris Kelly, was an English instructor at Hinds Community College. Our daughter, Cam, graduated from Hinds.

I consider William (Bill) Miles as my 'major professor' at IJC. Not only was he the journalism instructor, but he was also instrumental in convincing me how much better two years at IJC could be in preparing to move on to senior college. I remember his classes, the writing and the photography instructions and the experience of working on the *Chieftain*, which came with a work scholarship.

Then there was dear Mrs. Susie Earnest, our English instructor. Any statement we made triggered her question, "Why?" Drove us crazy, but I know what she was doing...It was like, "Think, you little dummies." No she would never have phrased it that way, but I have laughed over the years at that persistent



"Why?" ("Because!" was never an acceptable answer.) Senora Coley in Spanish class agreed to teach the second-year Spanish class to only one student. I guess that means I had private tutoring. Argie Wilson brought the zoology and botany worlds to life and was among those who presented me with lasting educational memories.

My years of work have included the Mid-South Fair promotions department in Memphis, Tenn., newspaper news desks, press secretary for political campaigns and library public relations. All were valuable experiences leading into my joining the communications department of the state's Medicare Ouality Improvement Organization, Information and Quality Healthcare in 1986. I later became the communications department manager for this organization. IQH operates the Mississippi and Alabama Tobacco Quitlines.

My first full-time job after college I recall as not being a very positive experience, but it was a valuable lesson learned that contributed to my philosophy of "love what you do." I would tell anyone looking for a career choice today that the most important aspect is to find a field you like or even love.

Jerry Wilburn

As a young country boy from Mantachie who had never traveled much outside of the state and one who had never had many experiences outside the norm, today, I look back at my days at Itawamba Junior College as some of the most significant years in my life.

Playing football for the legendary coach, Dudley Miller, was probably the most eye-opening time of my developing years. There were many interesting trips, lessons to experience, and, most importantly, many people to become acquainted with and learn from.

I recall a game with the Georgia
Military Institute in Georgia one fall. It
seemed they thought they could run over
us and scheduled us for their homecoming game. This was an overnight trip for
us, and we could not afford hotel accommodations. Therefore, we were to sleep
in their gym on cots with tiny little mattresses. After the game we went to their
cafeteria for a meal only to be confronted
with the news that a meal for the team
was not included in the arrangements.
Coach Miller told us to load up on the

"Yellow Dog" bus that we were going home. On the drive home, we stopped at a convenience store, and



Coach Miller bought each of us (with his own money) a pack of Twinkies and a carton of milk. We drove all night and arrived back at the dorm the next morning. Our bus driver was the renowned Sheriff Nudge Gregory, another interesting "character" I met during my time at IJC.

That year, there were five of us from Itawamba County on the team: Johnny Crane, Nelson Moses, Bobby Strawhorne, Wimp Adams and myself. Two of the five are deceased now: Strawhorne and Adams.

I can truthfully say that my friendship with these team players and coach have led to some of the most important lessons in my life and lifelong friendships. Coach Miller taught us many lessons about knowing right from wrong, ultimately leading us to know how to appreciate life and have a greater respect for others.

Molly Anna Baulch

I was at the point in my life where I had almost given up on college.

I have a condition called Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome, and not many doctors in North Mississippi know anything about this autonomic dysfunction. It is very



hard to diagnose and even harder to live with POTS.

It was taking me so long to complete my junior college work because I could only take a few classes at a time, and most of those had to be online. Any stress or extra burden will make my heart rate accelerate, and I will pass out.

Then one summer I had to take public speaking, and the teacher was Mrs. Jesse Stevenson. She encouraged me to embrace myself even with my disability and to conquer whatever fears I may have. I passed that class with an almost perfect score, and to this day the best grade I ever made in college.

I have graduated from ICC and am now at Mississippi State University. I am not only a student and a single mom, but I now model part-time with MACS/AMAX of Nashville, Tenn.

Last year, I was in the "Cruise" video from the Country Music Association's duo of the year, Florida Georgia Line. I was the brunette pumping gas, whom Tyler picks up. In April of this year, I was requested to do the remix in California with Nelly. Both videos were an experience I will never forget. The "Cruise" song and video have won so many awards, and it has really blown my mind at how well known the song is around the world. I can't even go on vacation without someone recognizing me as the girl in the video and wanting to take pictures with me. It is an awesome feeling!

But even more special is the friendship I have with Brian and Tyler of Florida Georgia Line and their band. The guys are awesome and so grateful for their success. Just last week, I received an email for a real cruise that they will offer to the public soon. Keep watching if you would like to cruise with FLGAline!

Emily Sullivan

As I reminisce about my two years at ICC, I am reminded that it truly was "The Best Start Here." The professors and staff were amazing because they care about the students. We were a family. A few faculty members

and professors showed concern about my academics and my life beyond their offices and classrooms. Among them was Mr. Kenneth Nowicki. He was passionate about teaching and an encouragement to me during my transition from ICC to Mississippi University for Women.

Since graduating from ICC in May 2008, I completed courses in Spanish at MUW and Mississippi State University, where I graduated in December 2011 with a bachelor's degree in that language. Since then I had an opportunity to utilize scholarships to earn a second bachelor's degree. At the conclusion of the fall semester I will graduate cum laude in secondary education-English.

In the spring of 2007, I decided that my dream was to teach Spanish at ICC, and over the next few

years I plan to pursue a master's degree in the Masters of Teaching – Community College Leadership program at Mississippi State. As I pursue this degree, I plan to be an effective high school teacher. My desire is to

encourage students to pursue a college education.

It is my time to "Pay It Forward" because I was given so much by my parents and my ICC family. ICC has a piece of my heart which I still share with my closest ICC friends.

Thank you, Dr. (David) Cole, Mr. Nowicki and many others who impacted my life at ICC.



Newest Memorabilia Additions

A 1975 State Champions football jacket A 1979 North Division and Garland Bowl Champions football jacket MACJC All-Star basketball jacket

The sixth and eighth editions of IJC, which are now called catalogs Photos of the band in 1955-56 at the Cotton Carnival Parade in Memphis Indianette photos and programs from approximately 1955-1964

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